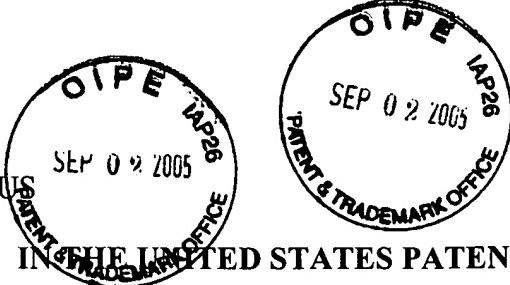


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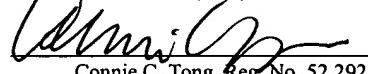
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 8, 2005. The Examiner has required restriction to one of two inventions:

Group I (Claims 1-23), drawn to a method for preparing aluminum nitride, classified in Class 423, subclass 412; and

Group II (Claims 24-36), drawn to an apparatus for preparing aluminum nitride, classified in Class 422, subclass 189.

Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to prosecute the claims directed to Group I, classified in Class 423, subclass 412, in the present application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the remaining claims in a divisional application. Accordingly, prompt examination on the merits of Claims 1-23 is respectfully requested.

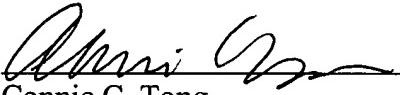
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Should there be any questions concerning this application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned at telephone number appearing below. Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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